IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 4, 9 and 10 without prejudice, amend claims 3, 5, 7, and 8, and re-present dependent claim 2 as claim 12 as follows:

1. (cancelled)

2. (cancelled)

3. (currently amended) A quick release/connection arrangement as set forth in claim ~~1~~ 12, further comprising:

a clamp operatively interconnecting said base member and a chassis of a device, said clamp comprising:

a first clamp member which is rigidly connected to the base member and a second clamp member which is rigidly connected with the chassis;

a cam arrangement for normally forcing the first and second clamp members into locking engagement with each other and for selectively permitting sufficient play between the first and second clamp members to allow the relative movement therebetween.

4. (cancelled)

5. (currently amended) A quick release/connection arrangement as set forth in claim ~~1~~ 12, wherein said seat receiving structure comprises a platform in which said latching portions are formed, and in which detents are provided to resist movement of the elongate members of the seat frame out of the passage structures with a predetermined force.

6. (original) A mounting arrangement for a seat comprising:

a seat receiving platform which is pivotally supported on a base member, said platform having a pair of latching portions, each of said latching portions having a pair of latching regions and an intermediate region;

a resilient biasing member operatively interconnecting the platform and the base member to permit a limited amount of pivotal movement of the platform with respect to the base member; and

a lever-operated rotatable locking element having a pair of latching surfaces mounted on the platform, said rotatable locking element being movable between a first position wherein a seat can be readily removed from the platform and a second position wherein said latching surfaces secure intermediate portions of the elongate seat frame members at said intermediate region so that the seat is thereby immovably locked onto the platform.

7. (currently amended) A mounting arrangement as set forth in claim 6, further comprising: a ~~lever-operated clamp~~ pair of rods which are fixed to the base and interconnect interconnects the base member and a clamp on a chassis ~~of a device~~.

8. (currently amended) A mounting arrangement for attaching a seat to a clamp disposed on a chassis comprising:

a seat receiving platform pivotally supported on a base member, said platform having a pair of latching portions, each of said latching portions having a pair of latching regions and an intermediate region;

a lever-operated rotatable locking element having a pair of latching surfaces mounted on said platform and selectively rotatable between a first position wherein a seat can be readily removed from the platform, and a second position wherein said latching surfaces secure elongate seat frame members on at least a portion of an upper surface of said elongate members at said intermediate regions and the seat is thereby immovably locked onto the platform; and

a ~~lever-operated clamp~~ pair of rods fixed to the base member for interconnecting the base member and a the clamp disposed on the chassis ~~of a device~~.

9. (cancelled)

10. (cancelled)

11. (currently amended) A quick release/connection arrangement as set forth in claim ~~1~~ 12, wherein said forward and rearward latching portions are U-shaped and support said elongate members from below and secure said elongate members in two horizontal directions.

12. (re-presented – formerly dependent claim #2) A quick release/connection arrangement for a seat, comprising:

a seat receiving structure having a pair of latching portions, each of said pair of latching portions being adapted to receive one of a pair of elongate members which form part of a frame of the seat;

each of said pair of latching portions having a forward latching portion, a rearward latching portion and an intermediate region therebetween, said forward and rearward latching portions being adapted to support said elongate member from below and to secure said elongate member in at least one horizontal direction;

a lever-operated rotatable locking element having a pair of latching surfaces rotatably supported on the seat receiving structure and selectively rotatable between a first position wherein engagement between the rotatable locking element and the elongate members is absent and wherein the pair of elongate members are removable from the seat structure receiving member, and a second position wherein the elongate members are secured on intermediate portions of upper surfaces of the elongate members by said pair of latching surfaces of the rotatable locking element in said intermediate regions and locked in position on the seat receiving structure;

a base member on which said seat receiving structure is pivotally supported; and

resilient biasing arrangement which operatively interconnects the seat receiving structure with the base member and which biases the seat receiving structure to normally assume a predetermined orientation with respect to said base member.